

health services in 2023 is honestly a follow-on to Debbie's visionary leadership.

Over the years, Norwich Bully Busters has perfected utilizing cost-effective strategies to engineer the spread of positivity within a community. When she became inspired with the idea of "Buddy Benches," as a platform for students to meet new friends on the playground, Debbie activated her network of volunteers to help construct and then paint welcoming backdrops on benches. By way of her positive, purposeful engagement, there are now more than 80 Buddy Benches placed throughout Norwich schools. By way of another example, Debbie has remained a constant presence in the Norwich school system, hosting conversations with students and teachers in the classroom.

There are countless more cases of Debbie acting as a source of light for Norwich youth. Norwich Bully Busters eventually evolved to establish summer programming, led by Debbie, which combines community service, activities, and ideas for future careers. As a matter of fact, Norwich's newly elected State Representative Derell Wilson grew up participating in this summer program. When another student felt their passion to pursue arts over summer vacation was turned down, Debbie's response was, "What do you need?" And so, she provided that student with a space to develop and ultimately lead an arts program amongst other peers. Their production was performed at Norwich's local theatre, and that student now has a history of working on Broadway. Clearly, Debbie and her organization have had a lasting impact upon those who have grown up in Norwich.

Debbie has also used her position through Norwich Bully Busters to stir anti-bullying conversations well outside Norwich. She again activated her network to push the envelope at the Connecticut legislature, which has since enacted laws including An Act Concerning School Learning Environments and An Act Concerning Behavior in Schools. The latter of those two laws specifically requires boards of education to develop policies on bullying, and I can assure you Debbie played a part in the establishment of Norwich public schools' policy for bullying behavior.

Mr. Speaker, Debbie continues to build upon the altruistic energy that stands behind Norwich Bully Busters. She has created a self-nurturing support system, comprised of individuals who have been socialized to understand that actions matter, the infectious power that exists through positive engagement, and are now pursuing their own visions of community development. Debbie is the definition of what it means to be a first generation American. We are forever indebted to her service. To that end, Mr. Speaker, I ask that my colleagues join me in recognizing Debbie's legacy of leadership.

HONORING THE LIFE OF GAIL MOORE

HON. BRIAN K. FITZPATRICK

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, March 24, 2023

Mr. FITZPATRICK. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to the life and legacy of a very respected member of our beloved Bucks County, Gail Moore.

Born in 1946, Gail grew up in Levittown, Pennsylvania and enjoyed a successful career as a Registered Nurse at Lower Bucks Hospital as part of the surgical, IV, and home health care teams. She went on to serve as the Director of Claims at United Healthcare. After her nursing career, Gail continued to be a beacon of light in the healthcare industry, opening her own business providing care for women suffering from cancer.

Gail married her high school sweetheart, Zane Edward Moore, while he was serving in the U.S. Army, and they have two sons, Zane Edward Moore, Jr. and Christopher Stephen Moore. She is also survived by her five loving grandchildren.

Mr. Speaker, on behalf of myself, my family, and our entire staff, we send our deepest condolences to Gail's family and all who knew and loved her. Gail will be deeply missed and remembered for her love and devotion to her family, friends, and her community.

HONORING THE LIFE AND LEGACY OF SENATOR JIM BROYHILL

HON. RICHARD HUDSON

OF NORTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, March 24, 2023

Mr. HUDSON. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the life and legacy of Senator Jim Broyhill. Sadly, Senator Broyhill recently passed away on February 18, 2023.

After graduating from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill in 1950, Senator Broyhill began his career working for his family's furniture company, Broyhill Furniture Industries. He was first elected to Congress in 1962 as the representative for North Carolina's ninth congressional district, the district I am honored to represent today. He served the ninth district from 1963 to 1969. He also represented North Carolina's tenth district from 1969 to 1986 before he was appointed to represent North Carolina in the U.S. Senate in 1986. Over the course of his more than 23 years in Congress, Senator Broyhill was known for his dedicated constituent service and efforts to work across the aisle to achieve results for North Carolina and our nation. He served on the Interstate and Foreign Commerce Committee, the Post Office and Civil Service Committee, and the Small Business Committee in the House of Representatives and the Armed Services Committee and the Judiciary Committee in the Senate. He rose to become the ranking Republican member on the House Interstate and Foreign Service Committee and was awarded "Watchdog of the Treasury" by the National Association for Small Business each year that he was in Congress. After his time as a federal legislator, Senator Broyhill remained dedicated to serving the people of North Carolina. Among his many impressive achievements, he served as the Chairman of the North Carolina Board of Economic Development and the Secretary of the North Carolina Department of Commerce.

I would like to extend my most heartfelt appreciation in recognition of Senator Broyhill as we honor his extraordinary life. Through his exceptional leadership and dedicated service to North Carolina and our nation, he set an excellent example for all in public service to emulate. Senator Broyhill was an important

mentor and friend to many elected leaders in North Carolina, including myself. I am greatly appreciative of the wisdom and guidance he provided me over the years. I know I speak for our entire community in extending my condolences to Senator Broyhill's family and many friends. His legacy of service will live on forever.

Mr. Speaker, please join me today in honoring the life and legacy of Senator Jim Broyhill for his exemplary service and exceptional commitment to North Carolina and our Nation.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. EARL BLUMENAUER

OF OREGON

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, March 24, 2023

Mr. BLUMENAUER. Mr. Speaker, had I been present for the vote today for the Green Amendment No. 10, I would have voted "aye." Had I been present for the Jacobs Amendment No. 13, I would have voted "aye."

Had I been present for the Massie Amendment No. 15, I would have voted "no."

Had I been present for the McCormick Amendment No. 17, I would have voted "no."

Had I been present for the Roy Amendment No. 19, I would have voted "no."

Had I been present for the Roy Amendment No. 20, I would have voted "no."

Had I been present for the Democratic Motion to Recommit on H.R. 5, I would have voted "aye."

Had I been present for the vote on H.R. 5, I would have voted "no." This legislation is misleadingly titled as "Parents Bill of Rights" while ignoring the partnerships that already exist between parents and educators. Further, it dismisses educators' experience and dedication to their students at a time where our country is facing shortages. It will exacerbate censorship at a time when the American Library Association already reported a 38 percent increase in book banning. Lastly, but most importantly, this legislation creates a more harmful environment for students. Every student in every community deserves access to high-quality public education and to feel safe at school regardless of race, gender identity, religion, or sexuality.

Additionally, had I been present for the vote on H. Con. Res. 25, I would have voted "aye."

RECOGNIZING TRIPLE NEGATIVE BREAST CANCER MONTH

HON. JASMINE CROCKETT

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, March 24, 2023

Ms. CROCKETT. Mr. Speaker, as a congresswoman, and a champion of health care initiatives, and as a voice for breast cancer survivors, a disease that affects minority women and all women, I am here today to talk about the pressing need for increased funding for triple-negative breast cancer. Breast cancer is a devastating disease that affects far too many of us. But triple-negative breast cancer, in particular, is one of the most aggressive and deadly forms of breast cancer.

Women with triple-negative breast cancer often face a worse prognosis and limited treatment options. This is why we need to increase

funding for research into this disease. We need to find better ways to detect it early and to develop new treatments that will give women with triple-negative breast cancer a fighting chance.

But funding for research is not enough. We also need to ensure equity and access to treatment for all women with breast cancer, regardless of their race, ethnicity, or socioeconomic status. Women from marginalized communities often face barriers to accessing care, and we must work to break down those barriers.

No woman should have to fight breast cancer alone, and no woman should be denied the care she needs because of where she comes from or how much money she makes. We must come together as a community, regardless of political party, to ensure that all women have access to the care and treatment they need.

I urge my fellow lawmakers to join me in supporting increased funding for triple-negative breast cancer research and ensuring equity and access to care for all women with breast cancer. Together, we can make a difference and save lives.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. RAUL RUIZ

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, March 24, 2023

Mr. RUIZ. Mr. Speaker, I was unable to vote on March 22, 2023. Had I been present, I would have voted YEA on Roll Call No. 144 and YEA on Roll Call No. 145.

HONORING CHIEF SPECIAL WARFARE OPERATOR (SEAL) MICHAEL ERNST

HON. KAY GRANGER

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, March 24, 2023

Ms. GRANGER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the life of U.S. Navy Chief Special Warfare Operator Michael T. Ernst, a highly decorated Navy SEAL who tragically died on February 19, 2023, while conducting military freefall training in Arizona. He was an American hero who dedicated his life in service of our country.

Michael grew up in Cohasset, Massachusetts playing hockey, lacrosse, and the drums, and was never far from his five siblings and loving parents. Following high school, Michael attended Denison University where he would meet his future bride, Megan, and earn a Bachelor of Arts in Economics in 2008.

Michael's spirit of adventure and commitment to service drove him to enlist in the U.S. Navy in 2010, and shortly thereafter he realized his dream of becoming a Navy SEAL. During his 13 years of naval service, he became a highly decorated combat veteran with a multitude of deployments around the world, and host of awards for valor including the Silver Star Medal awarded for his heroic actions on a daring rescue operation.

Michael was relentlessly committed to self-improvement and would also go on to cap his Navy career by earning a Master's of Business Administration, as a Sloan Fellow, from the prestigious Massachusetts Institute of Technology in 2022.

Michael truly excelled as a husband, father, son, brother, friend, and teammate. He was a larger-than-life man and a warrior who served both our Nation and his family honorably. Mr. Speaker, today I ask my colleagues to join Michael's wife Megan, his children Reilly and Judah, and his parents, siblings, friends, and teammates in celebrating his life, recognizing the sacrifices he made for us, and extending our deepest gratitude for his noble service to our great country.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. MIKIE SHERRILL

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, March 24, 2023

Ms. SHERRILL. Mr. Speaker, on March 22, 2023, I missed votes on the House Floor. Had I been present, I would have voted: YEA on Roll Call No. 144, To direct the Secretary of State to submit to Congress a report on implementation of the advanced capabilities pillar of the trilateral security partnership between Australia, the United Kingdom, and the United States, H.R. 1093, and YEA on Roll Call No. 145, to Amend the Taiwan Assurance Act of 2020 to require periodic reviews and updated reports relating to the Department of State's Taiwan Guidelines, H.R. 1159.

IN MEMORY OF ALEX FRANKLIN PERRYMAN

HON. RASHIDA TLAIB

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, March 24, 2023

Ms. TLAIB. Mr. Speaker, today I rise in recognition of Alex Franklin Perryman, Sr., a long-time resident, labor and community leader in Detroit, Michigan as we mourn his recent passing.

Mr. Perryman was born on January 4, 1924, in Whitehall, Alabama to the late Jonas Perryman and Melissa Thomas Perryman. He was the youngest of 10 children. Mr. Perryman attended school in Tyler, Alabama and later Carver High School in Gadsden, Alabama.

At the age of 18, Mr. Perryman moved to Detroit, Michigan to work for the Chrysler Corporation and fell in love with the city he called his home until his passing.

Mr. Perryman met the love of his life, Geneva Wilson in 1944 and they married in 1945. They had been married for a remarkable 77 years when she preceded him in death. Mr. and Mrs. Perryman raised five children on Burlingame Street in Detroit—Lavonia, Linda, Alex, Jr., Ronald, along with Nehemiah and Linda—both who preceded him in death.

A trailblazer, devoted community member and labor union leader, Mr. Perryman was a

skilled laborer and United Auto Workers (UAW) activist at Chrysler Corporation for over 50 years. He was the first African-American Vice President of UAW Local 140. As a union leader, Mr. Perryman was steadfast in operating in the intersection of civil rights and workers' rights. He coordinated several local and national outreach and civil rights activities on behalf of the UAW.

In the community, Mr. Perryman was an active member of the NAACP and believed deeply in the civic participation and voting. He served as a poll worker for 15 years, ensuring that his neighbors had access to the ballot box.

Mr. Perryman loved baseball and his life of service extended into this adoration for sports. He spent many years working with the Westside Cubs and St. Cecilia sports teams. He also worked several years at Comerica Park where the Detroit Tigers play.

Mr. Perryman leaves behind a beautiful family to mourn his life. His daughters, Lavonia and Patricia; son, Alex Franklin, Jr., and sister-in-law, Mamie Louise Wilson. He also leaves 11 precious grandchildren. Please join me in recognizing Alex Franklin Perryman, Sr.'s numerous contributions to our community as we honor his memory.

HONORING KEATH MORGAN

HON. AUSTIN SCOTT

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, March 24, 2023

Mr. AUSTIN SCOTT of Georgia. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to celebrate the 100th birthday of a devoted patriot and civil servant in Houston County Georgia, Mr. Keath Morgan.

On February 17, 1943, Mr. Morgan joined the United States Army in Salt Lake City, Utah. After basic training, he was sent to Fort Benning to attend Airborne School with the intent of becoming a paratrooper. Upon his completion of the program, Mr. Morgan was transferred to Europe and assigned to the 502nd Parachute Infantry Regiment of the 101st Airborne Division, known as the "Screaming Eagles."

Mr. Morgan accompanied the 101st Airborne Division to Bastogne, the Battle of the Bulge, the Ruhr Campaign, and finally to the "Eagles Nest," the site of Hitler's residence in the Alps, in Berchtesgaden.

After his service in the 101st Airborne Division, Mr. Morgan transferred to the 82nd Airborne Division, serving an occupation duty in Austria until coming home on the Queen Mary and marching in the Victory Parade in New York City on January 12, 1946.

Throughout his endeavors, Mr. Morgan served as a light machine gunner. He was awarded the Combat Infantryman Badge, the Good Conduct Medal, the American Campaign Medal, the European-African Middle Eastern Campaign Medal, and the World War II Victory Medal.

I would like to thank Mr. Morgan for his years of service to our community and our country. It is an honor to represent such upstanding constituents like him in the Eighth Congressional District of Georgia.